

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION 4

Over many decades, I have submitted arguments against ballot measures to ensure that voters receive some counter-considerations.

### THE UNFAIR PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM

One objection to any measure proposing an increase in property taxes is that the property tax system in California is unfair (as explained in the primary argument).

### CHANGING THE SYSTEM TO MAKE IT MORE FAIR

Our property tax system could be changed, for example, to periodically reassess all real property but automatically lower the tax rate so that overall tax revenue does not increase just because real estate values go up.

Of course, one difficulty in making any change is that different persons and businesses have different VESTED INTERESTS in maintaining the status quo.

### LOOKING MORE BROADLY AT IMPROVING HEALTH CARE

As to this particular measure (borrowing money to further subsidize children hospitals), I suggest we first look at improving the entire health care system.

While there are many outstanding professionals providing health care in America (and California), the USA spends the most but is far from the top of international rankings in health care outcomes. In addition, millions of Californians do not even have basic health care coverage.

### ASKING THE CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICES

Perhaps the candidates for state office in November - including for Governor - have some ideas for improving health care in California. Let's ask.

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